Export of Senna and Vinca Leafs

2044. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:

DR. (SHRIMATI SAROJINI MAHISI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Senna and Vinca leafs, pods and roots are being exported from India;

(b) if so, the names of the countries to which these are being exported and the quantity of each exported during the last three years, yearwise along with quantity and value of each;

(c) whether it is also a fact that finished end products based on these pods and leafs and also being exported;

(d) If so, the name of each end product with quantity and value of each exported during the last three years, yearwise;

(e) what is the price difference between the basic material and end product of each;

(f) whether it is also a fact that the country is losing foreign exchange in the export of basic material in comparison with end product; and

(g) if so, what steps have been taken to discourage the export of basic material?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) A statement is attached (*See* below)

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(e) The Fob export price of Senna leaves and Pods ranged between Rs. 8/- and Rs. 45/- per kg. The Fob price of the corresponding drug namely. Calcium Sennoside ranged between Rs. 410/- and Rs. 750/- per kg. The Fob price of Vinca Rosea roots ranged between Rs. 35/- and Rs. 36.5 per kg. The current Fob price of Vincristine and Vinblastine is US $400 per gm. and US $200 per gm. respectively.

(f) and (g) The existing policy permits exports of Senna leaves and pods and Vinca Rosea roots as also Calcium Sannoside and Vinblastine and Vincristine. The foreign exchange realisation on export of Calcium Sennoside and Vincristine and Vinblastine is much higher than the fob value realisation from exports of Senna leaves and Pods from Vinca Rosea roots. Since there is export market for both the basic material and the drug based on them, there is no proposal at present to discourage export of the basic material.

Statement-I

The countries to which Senna leaves and Pods and Vica Rosea roots exported during the last three years and the quantity of each exported

Sl. No.	Name of the item	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	Names of countries of export
		(Value in Rs. Crores)			
1.	Senna Leaves and Pods	4.82	1.55	1.70	USA, Canada, FRG, Itlay France, Japan, Taiwan Phillippines, Singapore and Australia.
2.	Vinca Rosea roots	0.20	0.50	0.57	France, USA, UK, Hungary, Spain and FRG.

Statement-II

Calcium Sennoside, manufactured from Senna and Vinblastine and Vincristine manufactured from Vinca Rosea are also being exported. The export figures of these products for the last three years are as follows:—

Value: Rs. Crores

Sl. No.	Name of the item	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
1.	Calcium Seenoside	0.32	0.96	1.58
2.	Vinblastine and Vincristine	1.05	0.02	0.25

(Note: Export data is maintained in terms of value of exports only and quantities exported are not monitored)

Shifting the Category of certain Drugs

2045. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry do not impose a ban or restrict the import of a drug till it is not produced at least by three producers;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that his Ministry have not shifted those drugs being produced by less than three producers from OGL to restricted or banned list of import policy;

(c) what are the names of those drugs;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the production of those drugs is much higher than the demand in the country and are also being produced from basic stages;

(e) if so, what are the names of those drugs;

(f) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry have shifted the category of certain drugs and drug intermediates where there is a monopoly production as well as production from intermediate stages; and

(g) if so, what are the names of those drugs?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) to (g) The new Import and Export Policy to be effective from 1st April, 1990 is under formulation and no details can be given at this stage. While formulating the import regime for a particular drug, the interest of users on the one hand and of producers on the other, are taken into consideration and decisions are taken which are in the larger public interest.

Export of Basic Raw Materials

2046 SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that both basic raw material as well as end finished products are being exported where availability sources are limited in the world;

(b) whether it is also a fact that by exporting the basic material, the country is losing foreign exchange in comparison to export of end product;

(c) whether Government have examined this aspect and prepared a list of such products and basic materials;

(d) if so, the names of such basic materials and end products;

(e) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry has decided to impose